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## Column One By David Courtney

THE Huleh dispute has been extended to a frontier dispute. Essentially, it was that from the very start. The hostility of the Syrians to the reclamation and drainage of the Huleh basin had as its motive the prevention of a form of civil development in the demilitarized zone which might add conspicuous validity to Israel's claim to ultimate political sovereignty over the area and thus make permanent the international boundary as it stood in the days of the Mandate. But the Syrians, made bold by conditions which imposed caution on Israel, as well as by a peculiar U.N. and Great Power reluctance to offend the Arab States, have pushed the physical conflict into areas well outside the range of the Huleh project. They have given the impression that what at first was an intention to keep the civil status quo in the demilitarized zone has become an intention, encouraged by opportunity, to take positive measures for the establishment of the Syrian claim to revised frontiers along the whole of the water line.

OBVIOUSLY, it is U.N.'s duty to check this development; and, as a first step, to see that all armed forces are cleared out of the demilitarized areas, particularly the central zone. Even if there are differences of opinion concerning the nature, extent and source of the provocation, and even if there is any doubt concerning final sovereignty, the need to restore the situation to what is required by the terms of the Armistice Agreement is an urgent priority. The validity of U.N.'s authority depends upon the firm exercise of its functions. Obsequiousness to that authority can only be insisted on as long as it is a positive authority capable of preserving its own mandate. Where U.N. Observers have been unable to carry out their proper investigations owing to shooting, as was the case at El Hamra, again at Nukeib, and again in the triangle north of Lake Tiberias, such deliberate prevention of the performance of their duties should provide basis enough for the swift and unambiguous exercise of U.N. authority.

THERE has been, and still is, a good deal of confusion about the events in the North. It has been difficult to piece the facts together and get a coherent version. Some recent improvement in the official Israeli reports and explanations given to the press has not been enough to overcome the effects of the earlier tendency, however prudently inspired, to withhold news that might help give a logical picture of events. The solemn caution of Tel Aviv, the fantastic exaggerations of Damascus, and the astonishing absence of any helpful U.N. contribution to the story, between them have left the unofficial observer at his wit's end to know the facts as a whole or in any proper perspective or to judge confidently their implications. The one fact that remains without any doubt is that the terms and machinery of the Israel-Syria Armistice Agreement have broken down in the demilitarized zones between Huleh and the southern end of Lake Tiberias.

THAT simple fact should surprise no one. The armistice agreements have become not merely negative instruments but sources of positive danger. They have had their day and unless replaced by peace settlements, as they were intended to be, will progressively be honoured in the breach rather than in the performance. It is absurd to expect the State of Israel to neglect a major source of agricultural development indefinitely because its former enemies have decided that the ambiguity of armistice suits their policy better than the stability of a peace settlement. And as long as U.N. chooses to encourage the belief that armistice can go on just as long as the Arabs wish it, it will be absurd to expect the Arabs to resist the temptation to harass Israel along the uncertain frontiers and to sabotage her civil development where they can. A year ago, the armistice agreements were a hopeful step towards peace. Today, they are fast becoming a perilous signpost back to war.

## Ben Gurion Sees Truman

WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson said today that he and Mr. Ben Gurion spoke for 40 minutes on "questions of peace and defence in the Middle East." When the Premier was asked if he discussed financial aid to Israel with President Truman, Israel Ambassador Aba Eban whispered into his ear "no comment" before he could answer. Mr. Ben Gurion did not answer. He said, however, that Mr. Truman and he attributed their parallel views on outstanding world problems to the fact that they both believe "the main effort of human beings should be the amelioration of conditions of life," and cited the T.V.A., which he visited yesterday and on Sunday, and Israel's efforts to regain the Negev as examples.

## U.S. Labour Leaders Enthusiastic

By Ted H. Lurie  
WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — Having concluded his round of social calls and a two-day tour of Alabama and Tennessee, Prime Minister Ben Gurion today began his political programme with two business interviews in the U.S. Government's highest levels. Premier Mr. Acheson and immediately afterwards paid a White House call on President Truman.

Mr. Ben Gurion discussed the grant-in-aid with Mr. Acheson, asking for his positive influence and assistance for Israel's reparations claims. He presented the President with an old calendar from Frankfurt synagogue, made by Jewish artisans in 1700.

In superb form he replied to questions after addressing over 600 pressmen at the National Press Club, where he received an ovation. Replying to a question about the danger of a theory in Israel, the Prime Minister said: "If you mean a belief in Divine justice I hope there's a real danger—if you mean a danger of theoretic rule there's none whatever."

In reply to another question he said the Turks were Israel's best friends in the Middle East and it was mutual. At breakfast with 15 U.S. Labour leaders he explained Israel's achievements were the work of the entire people, not one class—Labour's role was the most important, therefore Labour led before the establishment of the State and was leading now. Mr. William Green spoke of the warmest friendship of the U.S. Labour movement for Israel: "We are astounded at the open door policy—it's a terrific experiment. We don't know how you do it but we will do all we can to support you and we are supporting the grant-in-aid for Israel proposal." Mr. Jacob P. Lofsky, of Amalgamated Clothing Workers, voiced similar sentiments.

Completing his political work, Mr. Ben Gurion is launching the bond selling campaign with tonight's dinner with Washington Jewish leaders and tomorrow will fly to New York for a civic reception planned by Mr. Grover Whalen.

Speaking later at the National Press Club, Mr. Ben Gurion appealed to Israel's friends and well-wishers "for financial aid and technical skill to help insure the development of the country as a bastion of democracy in the Middle East."

He told 400 members of the National Press Club, in what was described by the Israel Embassy as a major policy address: "The future of our young state is an issue of direct moment to the cause of world democracy." Mr. Ben Gurion described Israel's development programme to his audience of the leading U.S. journalists, calling for the mobilization of about \$500m. for each of the next few years. In the next four years Israel plans to enlarge a total population of two million, 500 new agricultural villages and 250,000 more housing units.

"As long as there are Jews who are fearful of the future, who lack freedom and dignity in the lands in which they live, or who wish to throw in their lot with their fellow-Jews in their ancient homeland, our gates will remain open," he said.

Replying to a question about the Arab being displaced by Israel and Syria, the Prime Minister said that all the waste lands of Israel must be restored, including the swamps of Huleh. He said "our economy must be expanded and stabilized. We must embark on a new irrigation and power projects and all our natural and mineral resources must be discovered and developed."

Mr. Ben Gurion added that Israel is "at least twice as strong as she was three years ago, but this has necessitated the diversion of heavy financial and other resources from constructive purposes."

The Premier returned here last night after his inspection of T.V.A. installations, which he viewed as a model for a more modern Jordan Valley Authority, and was guest of honour at a dinner given by Mr. Aba Eban. Other guests included Supreme Court Justice William Douglas and Felix Frankfurter, Export-Import Bank Board Chairman Herbert Gaston, Special Presidential Assistant David Niles, Chairman of the President's Board of Economic Advisors Leon Keyserling, members of Congress and local dignitaries.

His busy schedule for today includes, in addition to his National Press Club speech, a recording for radio, a cocktail party and dinner with the State's Joint Committee for the Israel Independence Bond Issue.

He will leave for New York tomorrow morning.

## Allies Drive North With Two Prongs

TOKYO, Tuesday (AP). — Strong Allied units punched northward today in a double-barrelled advance that carried them 17 to 20 miles above once-threatened Seoul on the western Korean front. Heavily supported by air and artillery, other U.N. forces chewed up Chinese and North Korean outpost defences on the central and eastern fronts. Nearly half the ground lost when the Communists launched their ill-fated offensive on April 22 has been regained along the hundred-mile wide battle-front.

The Communists were battling clumsily like punch-drunk fighters struggling for time to regain strength. They stepped up their artillery and mortar attacks while roads were strewn with Communist landmines.

On the Far Western front, South Korean troops gained five miles in two days, pushing the Communists north of the Hongnung River, a tributary of the Han River. Communist resistance was reported to have stiffened at this point, some 17 miles north-west of Seoul. Driving due north of the battered old Korean capital, Allied tanks cleared 20 miles up the important Dinsen highway.

## MacArthur Told 'Avoid Chinese, Soviet Borders'

WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — General MacArthur was ordered to confine military regions to Korea and under no circumstances to positions beyond the border between Korea and Manchuria, the U.S. Defence Secretary General Marshall, told the Joint Senate Committee today.

## Anglo-Iranian Seeks Arbitration

TEHRAN, Tuesday (Reuters). — The Anglo-Iranian oil company has told the Persian Government that it wants the oil nationalization dispute to be taken to arbitration. The company announced today that it had nominated Lord Radcliffe, a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, as its arbitrator.

A letter handed by Mr. Richard Seddon, the company's chief representative in Teheran, to the Prime Minister's Office said the company requested arbitration to:

- 1) Determine whether the Persian Government had acted in accordance with the terms of the Concession agreement; and
- 2) Establish responsibility for, and determine consequences of, the breach of the agreement, if such exist.

The letter expressed the hope that the Persian Government would appoint its arbitrator "at the earliest convenient date."

Mr. Seddon tried to see Persian Prime Minister Mohammed Mossadeq personally but was unable to do so.

In London tonight, the Persian Ambassador was calling on Mr. Herbert Morrison, Britain's Foreign Secretary. A Foreign Office spokesman added that the Ambassador was calling at his own request. But he was expected by diplomatic observers here to deliver a message from Mr. Mossadeq, Persian's Prime Minister, to Mr. Morrison.

## Restrictions Needed

General Marshall said it was agreed these restrictions were necessary not only to avoid a break with our allies but also because of the potential retaliation by the Communists. The Russians had many thousands of planes in the vicinity of Vladivostok, Dairen, Port Arthur and Harbin, he added.

General Marshall told the Committee that present U.S. policy in Korea was to inflict the greatest number of casualties on the Chinese Communists to break down their morale.

"There, it seems to me, you develop the best probability of reaching a satisfactory negotiatory basis with those Chinese Communist forces without getting ourselves into what we think would be a great hazard towards developing a much enlarged struggle with consequently larger casualties or complete world war."

## OLYMPICS OPEN TO ISRAEL

Israel's application for membership to the International Olympics Committee has been accepted by the annual meeting of the I.O.C. being held in Vienna. The decision means that Israel is permitted to participate in the Olympics.

## Russians Reject U.S. Draft on Japan

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuters). — The Soviet Union has rejected the U.S. draft for a Japanese Peace Treaty, and demanded Communist China's participation in a four-power Foreign Ministers' Conference to draw up a new treaty. Russia's answer to the U.S. draft was handed by the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, M. Alexander Bogomolov, to the U.S. Ambassador, Admiral Alan Kirk, yesterday.

Today, he handed a copy of the book, replying to American's Draft Treaty sent to Moscow on March 29, to the British Minister here, Mr. John Nichols.

The new Russian note proposed a meeting of the Soviet, U.S., Chinese and British Foreign Ministers in June or July, to prepare a peace treaty based on the principles of the Potsdam, Cairo and Yalta conferences.

The proposal termed the American draft "incorrect" since it ignored these conferences and sought to exclude the Soviet Union and the Chinese People's Republic from participation. It suggested limiting Japanese forces, withdrawing all occupation troops within one year, and bringing Japan into the U.N.

The 11-page Russian communication charged the U.S. with using Japan for other purposes than those provided for in the surrender documents, namely as a base for armed intervention in Korea.

In Washington, today, prompt U.S. rejection of the new proposal was given in a statement by State Department Press Officer Michael McDermott, who said there would be a formal reply later.

Mr. McDermott said the Russian proposal is the type "which the Soviet Union makes periodically whenever it wants to stall the conclusion of Japanese peace. It has always been rejected and will be again."

The Soviet effort is to get a veto, and now through Communist China, a double veto on a Japanese peace treaty. It is a machinery to prevent the conclusion of a peace treaty under these conditions would actually produce peace.

## Scroll for War Dead Presented

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM). — A parchment on which a Scroll of the Law is to be written in memory of soldiers who fell in the War of Independence was today handed over to the Soldiers' Welfare Committee by Mr. Moshe Sharett, Acting Minister of Defence, at a ceremony in his office at Hakirya today.

The shofar was blown before Mr. Sharett handed the scroll to a representative of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, who are arranging the writing.

Later, more than 300 bereaved parents and relatives assembled at Mount Zion to participate in Scroll celebrations. Each word in the Scroll will be symbolically written by the closest relative of the fallen soldier. The Ministry of Defence will inscribe the portions for those who have no relatives in Israel.

After an opening speech by Mr. Ben Zvi, prayers for the dead were said and Rabbi Rav-Seren Elimelech recalled the heroism of the fallen. A twelve year old child whose father had fallen in the war, recited the Kaddish.

Then Mr. S. Z. Kahane, Director-General of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, handed the parchment to Rabbi Haim, who will be the "scribe" (scribe) of the scroll.

## Yadin Broadcast

After the memorial light was lit, the parents lit Mount Zion, each of them receiving some green leaves from the tree on the hill. The sacrifice of the youth who fell in the War of Independence not only preserved our lives but also guaranteed the continuation of the same spirit of devotion, offering an example in which they had been brought up. Rav Abner Yadin, Chief of the General Staff, said in a memorial broadcast last night.

In a festive Independence Day meeting of the Herta and Paul Amiria Foundation, Mayor A. Weizmann yesterday announced same changes for the six streets in which the Battle for Haifa mainly was fought. The streets are to be named after the fallen soldiers. The streets are to be named after the fallen soldiers. The streets are to be named after the fallen soldiers.

Large-sized replicas of the national emblem have been mounted on all Government buildings, while giant lengths of electric lights have been strung about the chief centres.

## FRANCE PASSES VOTING BILL

PARIS, Tuesday. — After months of parliamentary wrangling, the French Assembly last night passed the electoral reform bill by 322 votes to 248, while the Chamber called for general elections in June.

The new law is designed to cut down the large Communist and Gaullist blocs in the Assembly.

(AP, Reuters)

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## No U.N. Authority to Remove Men from Defence Line-Sharett

Mr. Moshe Sharett, the Acting Minister of Defence, in a note to Colonel Bennett L. de Ridder, the Acting U.N. Chief of Staff, said yesterday that there was "no authority in the Armistice Agreement" for the withdrawal of forces to a distance of 500 metres from the demilitarized zone as proposed yesterday by Col. de Ridder. Mr. Sharett also asked why there had been no request for the removal of forces from the entire demilitarized zone.

In a note to the Acting Minister of Defence, Col. de Ridder proposed on Monday the withdrawal of all forces in the defensive zones adjoining the central demilitarized zone to a distance of 500 metres from the demilitarized zone's boundary as well as from the northern and southern sectors of the zone.

Mr. Sharett said that "the Government of Israel is anxious to do everything in its power within the framework of the Armistice Agreement between Israel and Syria to have the situation in the demilitarized zone and in the areas adjacent thereto restored to the condition envisaged in that agreement."

No Israel forces are in the demilitarized zone, Mr. Sharett said, adding that all Syrian forces must be withdrawn from the entire demilitarized zone as required by the Armistice Agreement.

Syria, Mr. Sharett emphasized, must answer clearly whether it is prepared to abide by the terms of the Armistice Agreement. "If the Syrian Government is prepared so to abide, peace and tranquillity are assured and there is no need for the special arrangements envisaged in your letter," Mr. Sharett said. If Syria will not do so, "it is clear that it is intent upon undermining the peace and stability of the area, and no temporary or palliative arrangements, however ingenious, can be of real avail," he declared.

Israel is ready at any time to participate in meetings of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission, Mr. Sharett replied. The meetings have not taken place because of the Syrian Government's refusal to take part in them, he said.

Colonel de Ridder called for the withdrawal of the forces by noon today and for the Syrian to remove all civilians in the demilitarized zone.

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## President's Greeting For Independence Day

The following is President Weizmann's Independence Day message:

On this anniversary of our independence, let us offer thanks to the Creator for the happiness of our nation three years ago with the creation of the State of Israel.

This is a great day for us. A fierce and bitter struggle for the liberation of our homeland, throughout more than three years there has been an unceasing process of creative endeavour to consolidate the State and to create the conditions for receiving and integrating the returning exiles. The generation-old yearning of Israel for the return to Zion, to build and be rebuilt, is finding fulfilment.

This is a great day for us. On this day we can look back on a record of achievements unequalled in the history of our people. We have not yet attained our goal. And in the sphere of agricultural settlement and industry, education and science, housing and labour, we have made great strides, and we are on the way to achieving the goals of our great project, and to the strengthening of the spiritual values of Jewish culture, without which we would not have recorded our achievements.

I am confident in our ability to carry out this great and historic responsibility which has been laid on us by destiny. For we possess a deep faith in this great deed that we are performing here. We shall ever hold on high the banner of our deliverance.

On this day of celebration I send my sincere greetings to all citizens of the State and to the entire Jewish people.

I send a special greeting to the newly-arrived immigrants to our soldiers who stand on guard night and day, to our sailors and our airmen, and to the representatives of the State wherever they may be.

May your endeavours be blessed.

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and friends in Israel  
every Wednesday  
between 4 and 6 p.m.  
In Tel Aviv  
BET ZEVIOT MIZRAHI,  
19 Rehov Dov Ha'ar, Tel. 219  
In Jerusalem  
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19 Rehov Rashi, Tel. 2046

## Social &amp; Personal

Dr. Leo Wachs will deliver the third Oshry Memorial Lecture under the auspices of the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, on "The Psychological, Social and Religious Roots of the Law" at Tarns Banya at 5 o'clock this evening.

Dr. B. Fullman, of the Radium Institute of Paris, will lecture on "The Significance of the Atomic Energy in Organic Chemistry" at the Hebrew Institute of Technology, Haifa, at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

A dinner in honor of Mrs. B. Spitzer, Chairman of the Overseas Department of the National Council of Jewish Women in New York, and of Mrs. S. Spitzer, member of the National Board of the Council, was given by the Hebrew University at the King David Hotel this week. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. Morosini, Mrs. Morosini is a prominent member of the Union of Jewish Women in South Africa.

Dr. W. Silberstein, Director of the Government Central Laboratories in Jerusalem, left yesterday for England on a study leave.

Mr. E.J. Macers and Mrs. Bessie Macers, former president, San Francisco Chapter of Hadassah, have arrived for a month's visit in Israel.

Mr. Daniel Auster, of Jerusalem, has been elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Jerusalem Electric and Public Service Corp. Ltd.

The Rotary Club of Tel Aviv-Jaffa will not meet today (Thursday) owing to the Independence Day celebrations.

## Bank Leumi Inherits Dealer Status in U.K.

The status of Authorized Dealer and Depository formerly enjoyed by the London Office of the Anglo-Palestine Bank under the British Exchange Control Act has been extended to the Bank Leumi in Israel by the British Treasury, it was announced recently.

This will facilitate business between Israel and the U.K. by enabling the Bank Leumi to maintain certain Israel accounts in London, and to continue to act in matters of foreign exchange under the authority of the Bank of England.

## Government Action on Syrian Border Attack Criticized

Editorials in the two left-wing morning dailies — "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) and "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) — yesterday discussed the relation of the Western Powers to the Syrian dispute.

"Al Hamishmar" claims that the events on the border were giving the Syrians a limited success by keeping the Israeli Army on the alert and by creating international tension on the subject of Israel's borders. The Western Powers' undertaking to safeguard Israel's borders has been unmarked as a broken reed, the paper charges, and it is among the representatives of these powers that the authors of the dispute are to be found. Their principals should be warned that unless the U.N. can restore order, Israel's security forces will do so.

Left Attacks P.M.

The paper quotes a Tass report (with reservations as to its accuracy) alleging that Mr. Ben Gurion was prepared to hand Israel over as a base for the armed forces of the U.S., and urges that Israel must return to the only possible policy — independence and non-identification.

"Kol Ha'am" regards Mr. Sharett's recent statement that the demilitarized zone is a source of constant danger to the security of Israel as an admission of serious failure. The paper recalls that Mr. Sharett failed to support the Soviet motion at the General Assembly to dissolve the demilitarized zone or the U.S. Observers "who exploit these areas in order to lead Israel and the Arab States into dispute." Mr. Sharett's policy, the paper claims, means the abandoning of Israel's security to the mercies of "American warmongers."

For the first time in three days, "Herut" had an editorial instead of a blank space, and news in its front-page banner headline ("The Syrians Were On Israel Soil For Four Days") instead of an editorial. Adjoining the editorial, however, was a blank space of more than half a column, headlined "Blank Spaces."

The paper's editorial refers to the Herut resolution advocating the election of the Syrian invader from Israel soil and charges Mapai with tempering its policy to the election wind, adopting belligerent and pacifist slogans in turn. The paper urged by Herut, the paper claims, would in the end cost less lives than a policy of restraint which encourages aggression.

Tiberias Unemployment

Breaking its usual habit of publishing two leading articles, one on local events and the second on foreign issues, "Herut" (independent), printed only one editorial on foreign affairs, but left a blank space.

"Davar's" (Hahadassah) editorial deals with the recent decline of employment in Tiberias. Afflicted and Ben Shimon, where immigrants outnumbered the old population, and employment largely in public works, citing the case of Lelida and Ramat in 1949, the paper suggests that public works can provide only a partial solution to unemployment, and that full employment can be reached only by the creation of stable industrial and agricultural enterprises in Affiliated and Ben Shimon.

## Independence Day Programme

The following is a detailed programme for the Independence Day Celebrations:

**Friday, May 11:**

6 a.m. — Thanksgiving prayer on Mt. Zion. Entertainment for soldiers' children in Y.M.C.A. 6.30 p.m. — Ceremony in Menorah Square at finish of relay race for soldiers in Edith Cinema.

7 p.m. — Special performance for soldiers in Edith Cinema.

8 p.m. — Formal opening of Independence Day celebrations on Mt. Zion.

8.45 p.m. — Ode to torch procession.

9 p.m. — Special Chamber Theatre. Music performance in Edith Theatre.

**TOMORROW:**

11 a.m. — Reception by District Representative.

12 noon — Festive prayers at Yehoshua Synagogue (to be led by Government representative).

2.30 p.m. — Army parade, March past at Rikva Stadium.

3 p.m. — Government Garden Party in Tarns Rose Garden.

4 p.m. — Parade for soldiers.

**FRIDAY:**

7.45 p.m. — "Vocal Newspaper."

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9 p.m. — Concerts by wind instrument ensembles.

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11.30 a.m. — Mayor's Garden Party for war invalids in Gan Haneriv.

1 p.m. — Procession of Boats showing State's achievements enters city from Petah Tikva Road. (Achievements Procession).

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**TEL AVIV:**

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**SATURDAY:**

11 a.m. — Morning prayers in synagogues.

**HAIFA:**

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1.45 p.m. — Distribution of "Oti Hakomemenu" (service medals).

3.30 p.m. — Thanksgiving prayers in Central Synagogue.

9 p.m. — Celebrations by Reserve Units and Youth Movement.

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**RECESSION FOR IRAQI AT LYDDA AIRPORT**

A reception and prayer service for Iraqi immigrants will be held by the Ministry of Religious Affairs and the Keren Hayesod at Lydda Airport at 11 o'clock on Friday morning in the presence of representatives of the Government, the national institutions, and the community.

Both the Lydda festivities and the founding ceremonies of two new settlements will be photographed for incorporation in an Independence Day film.

**Scholarships for Two Norway Students**

Scholarships of £1,550 each to enable two students from Norway to study at the Hebrew University for one year, have been set up by the Israeli Government and the Jewish Agency. The scholarships have been established as a token of gratitude to the people of Norway for their practical and evinced interest in Israel, the announcement added.

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## DELEGATES DISCOURAGED BY CONFUSION U.N. Developing 'Peace Paralysis'

By David Woolley

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. MANY delegates and United Nations officials today are wondering if the world organization, just six years after its birth, has abdicated its major and primary role as world peace-maker.

The basic purpose of the U.N. was to provide a mechanism for bringing all sides in a dispute or open conflict together to thrash things out and try to arrive at a peaceable solution to a crisis. Today, in the face of the most extreme crisis in the organization's history, the mechanism, for the moment at least, has broken down. Or rather—and this many delegates feel is even worse—the mechanism is simply not being used.

When a war has to be fought, it is recognized, little opportunity is given for intricate and delicate methods of peaceful conciliation and negotiations. This was the case in the first half of the Korean war. Now, however, delegates are beginning to reflect on the disillusioning fact that the U.N. of late has been missing golden opportunities to ring down the curtain on the bloodshed around the 38th Parallel.

The U.N. has become embroiled in two serious breaches of the peace. The last one before Korea was the fighting in Palestine. This previous outbreak is now being studied once again to throw light on the current crucial situation. The light it sheds, U.N. observers are feeling, illuminates a profound U.N. failure.

**Palestine Precedent**  
 As in Korea, while the war in Palestine was in full swing, there was not much the peace body could do to settle the conflict on peaceable terms. But the stage arrived when the opposing battle arrays had reached a kind of equilibrium. At this point, the U.N. Security Council stepped in quickly, dispatched a mediation team headed by Count Folke Bernadotte and Dr. Ralph Bunche

to the scene, who brought the two sides together in a long and arduous series of negotiating conferences and finally extracted armistice agreements from them.

The Korean war, it is now being noted, has followed a similar course—from bitter and violent see-saw battle to a period of relative stalemate. The latter stage, in fact, is even more pronounced today than it was in Palestine, than it has been in most wars. Both sides have repeatedly declared their urgent desire for bringing the bloody and indecisive hostilities to an end, have acknowledged or implied the fact of stalemate and have on several occasions pressed peace terms.

Moreover, both sides have not only accepted the idea of a peace conference, the traditional and elementary method of ending a war, but have actively urged it upon the other. At the same time, the waves of the fighting itself have been lapping up and down the 38th Parallel, a happily clear-cut demarcation line where both sides have come to admit the war should and must conclude.

**Tide of Defeatism**

Yet in the past month, while all these hopeful elements in the crisis multiplied and converged, the one fully representative international peace organization the world has known has been sitting stonily and uncreatively on its hands. No move has been made to call the General Assembly Political Committee into session, although it was held from adjournment this year for the precise purpose of bringing about a Korean settlement. The three-man Good Offices Committee, specifically assigned a mediation role, has scarcely met in recent weeks, formulated no designs for peace or investigated methods, and has not even sent out counter-feelers in response to a North Korean peace feeler of some weeks ago.

The only effort of any kind within the U.N. itself to take advantage of the opportunities offered in the situation has been an independent activity by a 12-nation bloc

composed of Asian and Arab states, and they have permitted themselves to be stymied by the general confusion that currently reigns. The net result is a tide of defeatism, or at least discouragement, sweeping through the U.N. discouragement with the organization itself because of the unprecedented collapse of its functions, as well as with the early possibilities of a peace settlement.

**Causes of Breakdown**

Whatever the reasons—or rationalization—however, what has begun to frighten and perplex U.N. delegates most is the onset of paralysis in the world organization. This, it's suddenly beginning to be felt, may be the most dangerous element in the new situation.

Mr. A. Eban, Israel's Chief Delegate to the United Nations, speaking over the U.N. radio system recently, took the United Nations severely to task for neglecting opportunities of bringing about peace in Korea. The text of his talk will be given in full in the POST's special Independence Day Supplement tomorrow.

## EGYPT'S GOLD

CAIRO, Egypt (ONA).—

The Egyptian Government has just rejected the third French request to attempt to salvage Napoleon's Mediterranean fleet which Lord Nelson in 1798 sent to the bottom of Aboukir Bay. Bids have now been asked for refloating of the ships and recovery of a reported vast amount of treasure, strong boxes overflowing with gold coins and other varieties of loot.

The Government of His Majesty King Farouk, however, has not rejected the French plea out-of-hand. His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Bey Salah el Din, the Foreign Minister, informed Paris that, as a token of Egypt's friendly feelings toward the French, this country would relinquish, for example, any duplicates found in the sunken bottoms, such as identical candleabra and other art objects. Duplicates of gold coins, however, will remain strictly the property of the Bank of Egypt; cordially toward France doesn't extend to preposterous lengths.

## TENSION GROWS AS NATIONALISTS PRESS PROGRAMME British Fears in South Africa

By Herbert Roberts

LONDON, (ONA).—

FEARS are being expressed here that Prime Minister D. F. Malan of South Africa and his Nationalist party backers aim at gutting the British Commonwealth and establishing an Afrikaner dictatorship.

Almost unnoticed in the postwar tension of the East-West struggle, a situation has been created in Africa in the relations between the white and black races—which is a virtual gift to the Kremlin. Colour-bar legislation, humiliating laws and racial segregation have become routine. And recently the South African Parliament has gone ahead with plans to remove one million Cape coloured people from the electoral rolls.

This is the result of a ruling by the Speaker of the House of Assembly that Parliament is legally entitled to amend the South Africa Act—by which the country is governed—by a bare majority, notwithstanding a constitutional requirement that changes can only be made with a two-thirds majority, which Dr. Malan lacks. The ruling is regarded here as an abrupt reversal of constitutional practice threatening the very basis of the political philosophy on which the British Commonwealth rests. It has also provoked critics of the Malan Government here to brand South Africa as the "Fascist Dominion" and to ask why the British Government doesn't serve notice on Dr. Malan to take his country and leave the Commonwealth forthwith.

But South Africa is not populated alone by Dr. Malan and his like. There are also the inheritors of the moderate policies of the late Field Marshal Jan C. Smuts, hundreds of thousands of first-generation Britons, thousands of Afrikaners who have never supported Dr. Malan and continue today to refrain from giving him anything more but a bare parliamentary majority, as well as the Cape coloureds, the

Bantu Africans, and the Indian merchants.

If Britain spoke frankly to Dr. Malan, it is felt here, the result might be a shortening of the time allowed to democracy in his country and the handing over of all these people to the Nationalists, with their ambitions of a Republic in Africa for Europeans only.

**Selective Immigration**

Already Dr. Malan has made much progress in this aim. A policy of "selective immigration" has been established. Immigrants from Germany and The Netherlands are sought. German is the permitted language in schools in South-West Africa, where many Germans have settled since the war. And less than one-third of last year's migrants were from Britain.

Reacting to this hardening Nationalist policy, the Natal Provincial Council has just passed unanimously a resolution which states, in effect, that it regrets having joined the Union back in 1909. But Dr. Malan, instead of taking note of this censure, has brushed it aside as merely the disapproval of one of his Union's provinces which happens to be English-speaking. Natal's resolution may have been against the Cape coloureds' disenfranchisement, but it was really the voice of the most English-speaking South Africans and Malan-opponents, noting new moves by the Nationalists to establish an Afrikaner Republic in which

British Parliamentary liberty might disappear.

**First Jews. Then Britons**  
 English-speaking South Africans are alarmed at the trickle to which British immigration has been reduced by the Government's disruptive policies. They are helpless before the Government's school-language policy and its influence on promotions for Afrikaners in the Civil Service.

They see a time when racial discrimination will swing from the black races to the Jews, then against the "second-class citizens" of British origin.

Some have already taken the obvious hint. White people are emigrating to neighbouring Southern and Northern Rhodesia at the rate of 40 a day, which is more than the rate of those entering South Africa from all other countries.

Those remaining, meanwhile, are wondering what guarantees there are for the equality of the English language alongside Afrikaans if the two-thirds majority clause for a change in the Constitution can so easily be overruled? Or what guarantee is there of Dr. Malan's undertaking that he won't declare a republic without consulting the electorate?

**DURACLEAN ? DURAPROOF**

We regret that owing to the illness of the Chairman of the Swiss Youth Aliya Committee, MR. ERWIN STIEBEL, the OPENING CEREMONY of the Swiss Village, Kiriat Yam, will be postponed from May 14 to May 21, 1951.  
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**INFORMATION AND CITIZENSHIP**

The new centre, part of the Consulate, is headed by an officer who was with the Public Information Office in Tel Aviv from the start. The centre maintains contact with the Press and broadcasting stations in New York, Washington and Lake Success. Side by side with the normal services of an information centre, it deals with a large number of applications and inquiries from all parts of the United States, arranges exhibitions of Israel products, while a special research section supplies information to correspondents, platform speakers and others interested in the profile and problems of the new State.

In Israel itself, the need for properly organized information services has at no time been ignored, and a well-conceived framework has been planned. The question must be asked, however, whether today, when the State is confronted with tasks of perhaps an unprecedented variety and magnitude, a new approach is not immediately called for.

Core of our present and hope of our future, the immigrants, many without Zionist and, in many cases, only the scantiest Jewish background, are in clear need of the kind of information that is more suitably described as civic education. In the first place, the new immigrant, but also large sections of the older Yishuv, must be made to understand the problems and trials of their individual life in the wider context of the life of the country to which they have been drawn. The burning economic and cultural issues in all their aspects must be brought home to them all, with the use of all modern means of communication: the printed as well as the spoken word, film, broadcasts, exhibitions, and so on.

Two basic principles should govern the syllabus of this country-wide school of citizenship: first, that the devastating influence of biased and not infrequently malicious propaganda must be countered by frank and objective statement of facts, by vivid recital of the endurance and achievements of the pioneers of yesterday whose legacy is now becoming the trust of a new generation. And second, that each individual is not only an object but at the same time a subject in the tremendous task of turning refugees into citizens and of shaping a divergent mass into a united nation. About 175 years ago, one of the founders of another young State, Benjamin Franklin, expressed this inescapable common fate in the words: "Unless we all hang together, we most assuredly will hang separately."

To develop a sense of civic responsibility based on knowledge, and at the same time foster an active and personal interest in the State, is an operation of such unquestioned importance that neither the State nor the citizen will blanch before the financial burden the work must impose. Only people who know what the State of Israel stands for, and why hardships must be endured, will be able to win their battles on the home front and, if necessary, on other fronts as well.

## U.S. Democrat Dies

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuters).—Mr. John Kee, 77-year-old Democrat chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, died today of a heart attack.  
 Mr. Kee became Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee in March, 1946, following the death of the late Mr. Elihu Root. He collapsed at a Committee meeting several days ago.

## MUSICAL DIARY

**TALLEY** Beatty's "Tropicana" ballet at the Edison on Wednesday was above all an evocation of the primitive. Despite unmistakable and effective traces of ballet, pantomime, and the jazz-revue, the dominant note of the performance was the troupe's spontaneously ingenious sense of humour and perfect, yet elemental control of every joint in its ebony bodily structure and costumes which, when they were at all, were colourful, as a parakeet's screech. The charm of Eloise Hill, who brought Josephine Baker to mind, was irresistible, and there was something hypnotic about the grotesquely eccentric work of Alex Young. But the peak of the performances was the imaginative and graceful dancing of Talley Beatty himself, especially in "Trance." Throughout the performance, however, impressed as we were with the uncommonly gifted and disciplined artists, there was a sense of the unfinished in the choreography. Notwithstanding this, the performance was terse and exhilarating.

**FRANGO**

**In Tel Aviv**  
 Karol Klein, in his first concert at the Museum Hall on Saturday, showed himself a mature pianist with a highly developed feeling for the dynamics of sound. As a matter of fact, the variety and quality of his touch seemed the most vital and appealing source of his talent. I was most impressed by his rendering of the Bach-Busoni Toccata in C Major and Prokofiev's Third Sonata, a piece perhaps pretentiously labelled "sonata." The disproportionate melancholy and resignation of the two Chopin pieces may, by the way, have derived from the uninspiring sound of the piano rather than from the artist's spiritual conceptions.

Another young pianist, Helmut Frank, made his debut at the Hall last week. Frank revealed himself a gifted musician in the renditions of works by Bach and Beethoven, as well as in some modest compositions of his own.

**In Haifa**  
 It is always with regret that we learn that the concert season of the Haifa

Chamber Music Society is ended. The choice of artists and of programmes is so interesting and varied, that every type of musical taste is generally satisfied. It says much for the level of audience appreciation that contemporary works are welcomed with no less understanding than classical ones. This season's last concert, on Saturday, featured Thelma Yellin on the cello, Eli Goren on the violin, and Doreen Stanfield, a newcomer to the Haifa concert hall, at the piano. It is only fair to note that Miss Stanfield's performance was charming and characterized by accuracy, clearness and balance. In a piece such as Prokofiev's Sonata in D Major (opus 94), where the piano plays no less a part than the violin, however, Miss Stanfield should have overcome her natural reserve and boldly stressed her parts, instead of serving as a sort of accompanist to the violin. Mr. Goren, on his part, showed the right sense and spirit for this work's originality and picturesqueness. Thelma Yellin helped to bring the works to fruition, underlining her parts with emotional expression and sentiment, especially in Haydn's Trio No. 3 in E Flat Major (opus 99).

**Gilt**

A large number of instrumental accessories (strings, reed, pads, etc.) has been dispatched by the musicians of Los Angeles, California, to the I.P.O. as a gesture of friendship to their "colleagues overseas." In a letter to the Orchestra's Inspector, informing him of the forthcoming arrival of the equipment, they wrote: "We will remember the Orchestra's concerts as the most inspiring musical events of the season."

**Arrau**  
 Claudio Arrau, the internationally celebrated pianist, who is ranked with the world's three or four greatest contemporary masters of the keyboard, will be heard for the first time in Israel in the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's 7th subscription concert series opening in Tel Aviv on May 18 under Paul Paray.

Prior to his arrival here Arrau will give the first piano recital at the new Royal Festival Hall as part of the Festival of Britain.

This is festival year for this soloist, since he will also appear at the Salzburg Festival and the Berkshire Festival at Tanglewood in the U.S. where he will be the only major soloist to be featured.

Two seasons ago Arrau played the Beethoven Concerto No. 4— which he is playing in the subscription series here—at the Tanglewood Festival under Koussevitzky and drew the biggest audience—about 13,200—in the history of Tanglewood.

**Tourel**  
 Jennie Tourel, the world famous concert and opera singer, will appear as a soloist at the second Casals Music Festival to be held this summer at Perpignan, southern France, at which William Primrose and Isaac Stern will also appear. She will appear on July 11 in "Erbarmen dich" from the Bach St. Matthew Passion, and concert arias by Mozart. Casals himself will conduct. Miss Tourel will later record the same works with Casals for Columbia records.

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